FISCAL NOTE

HB 199

February 5, 2001

SUMMARY OF BILL: Provides for a contest to be held in the 2001-02 school year in which elementary school students throughout the state will assist in choosing the official state fossil. The General Assembly will consider the student's recommendations before designating the official state fossil of Tennessee.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant

Estimate assumes:

- the Department of Education will develop a procedure for holding the fossil naming contest and local education agencies (LEAs) will provide such contest information to the schools.
- a nominal cost the Department of Education resulting from time spent organizing the statewide contest, disseminating information to LEAs, and overseeing the results.
- a nominal cost to LEAs resulting from time spent disseminating information to the schools and taking recommendations for the designation of the state fossil.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

James a. Lawenge